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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
120TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "0" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1574, L.D. 2080, Bill, "An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2002 and June 30, 2003"

Amend the amendment in Part D in section 1 in subsection 20 in the 3rd line (page 122, line 16 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$5,000,000" and inserting in its place the following: '\$25,000,000'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of Parts H, I and J.

Further amend the amendment by inserting after Part SS the following:

PART TT

Sec. TT-1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

**General Purpose Aid
for Local Schools**

Initiative: Provides additional funds over the funds appropriated in fiscal year 2002-03, of which \$18,601,106 is to be distributed through the funding formula and \$2,000,000 is to be distributed through a cushion.

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2	General Fund	2001-02	2002-03
4	All Other	\$0	\$20,601,106

6 **PART UU**

8 **Sec. UU-1. Rulemaking required.** The Department of Human
 10 Services shall adopt rules amending the principles of
 reimbursement for nursing and residential care facilities to
 12 increase the amount of income that may be retained by a resident
 of a facility by the percentage change in the Consumer Price
 Index for the most recently concluded fiscal year. Rules adopted
 14 pursuant to this Part are routine technical rules as defined by
 the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

16 **Sec. UU-2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following
 18 appropriations and allocations are made.

20 **HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

22 **Medical Care - Payments to Providers**

24 Initiative: Provides for the costs associated with the change
 in the principles of reimbursement for residential care
 26 facilities.

28	General Fund	2001-02	2002-03
	All Other	\$0	\$64,800
30	Total	0	64,800

32 **Nursing Facilities**

34 Initiative: Provides for the costs associated with the change
 36 in the principles of reimbursement for nursing facilities.

38	General Fund	2001-02	2002-03
	All Other	0	16,123
40	Total	0	16,123

42	Federal Expenditures Fund	2001-02	2002-03
44	All Other	0	31,877
46	Total	0	31,877

48	HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
50	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2001-02	2002-03

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2	GENERAL FUND	0	80,923
	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	0	31,877
4	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	0	112,800
6	SECTION TOTALS	2001-02	2002-03
8	GENERAL FUND	0	20,682,029
	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FUND	0	31,877
10	SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$20,713,906'

12 Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering
14 any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
consecutively.

16 **FISCAL NOTE**

18 This amendment will have no net effect on General Fund
20 appropriations and revenue and a balanced budget is maintained
for the 2002-2003 biennium.

22 This amendment increases the General Fund cost of the bill
24 by \$4,317,971 in fiscal year 2002-03 by striking the 3 parts of
the bill that generate revenue by delaying the reduction of the
26 telecommunications personal property tax, implementing the real
estate transfer tax on the transfer of controlling interest and
retaining the net operating loss carry-backs.

28 This amendment will increase General Fund appropriations to
30 the Department of Education, General Purpose Aid for Local
Schools program by \$20,601,106 in fiscal year 2002-03 with
32 \$18,601,106 being distributed through the funding formula and
\$2,000,000 being distributed as a cushion.

34 This amendment will increase General Fund appropriations to
36 the Department of Human Services by \$80,923 in fiscal year
2002-03 to provide a cost-of-living increase to residents in
38 nursing homes and residential care facilities.

40 This amendment also directs the transfer of \$25,000,000 from
42 the Maine Learning Technology Endowment to the unappropriated
surplus of the General Fund.

44 **SUMMARY**

46 This amendment transfers \$25,000,000 from the Maine Learning
48 Technology Endowment. The amendment also removes from Committee
Amendment "A" Part H, which postpones the communications personal
50 property tax rate reduction; Part I, which applies the real


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2 estate transfer tax on the transfer of controlling interests; and
Part J, which repeals net operating loss carry-backs. This
4 amendment provides a cost-of-living adjustment to residents in
nursing homes and residential care facilities and an increase in
the General Purpose Aid for Local Schools program.

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10 SPONSORED BY: 
(Representative MENDROS)

12 TOWN: Lewiston

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HOUSE AMENDMENT